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APPLICANT: Richard L. Eby et al

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SER. NO. : 08/908,872

EXAMINER: N. Abrams

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FOR : Electrical Connector with Planar Contact Engaging Surface

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of October 1, 1998, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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- 1 1. An electrical connector comprising:
- 2 a housing; and,
- 3 a rigid genderless electrical contact mounted within said housing, said rigid
- 4 genderless electrical contact having a longitudinal axis, a proximal end and distal
- 5 end, said distal end [having] terminating in a planar electrical contact engaging
- 6 surface with the plane thereof intersecting the longitudinal axis at a predetermined
- 7 angle, said planar electrical contact engaging surface being positionally maintained
- 8 within said housing to permit repeatable electrical engagement with a planar
- 9 electrical contact engaging surface of a corresponding rigid genderless electrical
- 10 contact.

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